

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Shmulewitz, et al.

Application No.: 09/320,172

Filed: May 26, 1999

For: Apparatus for Providing Control Providing Retroperfusion and Methods of Use

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Art Unit: 3763

Examiner: Nguyen, A.T.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 2, 2002 AND TRANSMITTAL OF NEW POWER OF ATTORNEY

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 2, 2002, Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Claims directed to Species 1 (Figures 1-2C). As the Examiner has noted, at least Claim 1 is currently generic.

Claims 1-26, 28-30 and 32-36 presently read on the elected species (Figures 1-2C).

Applicant hereby petitions for a one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for such extension of time and any other fee properly deemed to be due in connection with this filing to Deposit Account No. 50-0878.

Also, enclosed herewith is a POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE OF ENTIRE INTEREST (REVOCATION OF PREVIOUS POWERS) along with a transmittal form PTO/SB/82.

All further correspondence in relation to this application is to be sent to applicant's new cousnel at the address shown on the accompanying power of attorney document.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents, Washington DC 20231, on March 4, 2002.

Dated: March 4, 2002

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